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# Ain't so sunny

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It appears Sunnyside LRT station isn't so sunny for some. According to information provided to Metro by Calgary Transit, the inner-city station is No. 1 in tickets issued for fare evasion.

# Fare evaders, beware

## Sunnyside, Stampede the most ticketed LRT stations

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**Fare evasion at some Calgary transit platforms might not be such a bright idea.**

Information Metro obtained from Calgary Transit showed the most fare evasion tickets are doled out at two inner-city stations: Sunnyside and Stampede.

According to transit safety co-ordinator Brian Whitelaw, there is no rhyme or reason except time of day and days of the week, and variance between the city's four quadrants.

"The northeast leg of the C-Train system seems to have more compliance and the northwest seems to have more fare evasions," Whitelaw said.

But Whitelaw said those are the areas people are getting caught, not necessarily where they are getting on, something he said is hard to determine.

"I can't speculate why some areas are worse than others, but we try to determine through statistics where the highest rates seem to be and we target those areas."

Whitelaw said Sunnyside and Stampede probably catch more fare evaders because of their proximity to free-fare zones.

"I guess some people want to take the risk instead of paying, but for the most part people are compliant," he said, adding there is about 95 to 98 per cent compliance.

Carl, who wanted to withhold his last name, said he will jump fares when he "doesn't have enough change."

"If I get caught, I get caught ... but I pay when I can. Sometimes, simply, I just don't have enough change or time to get some," he admitted.

But rider Mellissa Spears said she is glad officers are out catching evaders.

"If I have to pay, they should have to pay," she said.

The fine for fare evasion is $150.

### Top 5 stations

• Top 5 most ticketed stations for fare evasion, according to Calgary Transit:
1. Sunnyside
2. Stampede
3. Banff Trail
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5. Shawnessy

# 2 arrests in skimming case at TD

**CRIME** Police have arrested two men from Ontario in connection with an alleged debit card skimming scheme in the city.

Police said a Calgarian found a debit skimming device at the TD Canada Trust bank in the 3600 block of Brentwood Road NW on Saturday. Two days later, the same Calgarian found another skimmer on the same bank machine, but investigators believe the incidents are unrelated.

"These men had apparently driven 36 hours non-stop to Edmonton and conducted a 72-hour crime spree, and were in the midst of another 72-hour crime spree in Calgary," alleged police spokesperson Kevin Brookwell, referring to the first TD incident.

Michael Joseph Stewart, 29, of Toronto and Hamilton Hillary Savoury, 45, of Scarborough, Ont., are each charged with two counts of possession of a device for forging. More charges are pending.

Meanwhile, Calgary Comic Book Expo officials continue to look into reports machines were tampered with at the BMO Centre, and ask anyone with concerns to contact police. Stampede spokesperson Doug Fraser also said police are looking into the matter.

Yesterday, Metro erroneously reported a man had been arrested in the skimming case at the BMO Centre due to a miscommunication with police. The arrests were for the aforementioned TD Canada Trust incident.

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## Crowded House coming to town

**Popular '80s Aussie band Crowded House will make a stop in Calgary Sept. 2 at the Southern Alberta Jubilee Auditorium. The band, fronted by Neil Finn, left, will be touring behind their sixth album, Intriguer, which is set to be released this June. Tickets go on sale this Friday at ticketmaster.ca or charge by phone at 403-777-0000.** METRO CALGARY

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## News in brief

**STABBINGS** Calgary and Edmonton share top spot for the number of homicides committed using knives, according to a Statistics Canada report. Both cities reported about 40 per cent of murders committed with knives between 1999 and 2008. Across Canada, 34 per cent of 611 homicides in 2008 were committed using knives. Western Canada led the country in 2008 for crimes with knives, according to StatsCan. METRO CALGARY

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# The lofty price of littering

## Tossing around trash carries fines as high as $1,000: City officials

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**A thousand bucks can buy a lot of things, but the City of Calgary is reminding citizens that's also the price they could pay for being litterbugs.**

City officials launched a littering awareness campaign yesterday to educate Calgarians that throwing a lit cigarette out of a car will now cost you a hefty $1,000 fine if you're caught. But that's not all, says the city's bylaw boss, Bill Bruce.

"Throwing garbage from the car will cost you $750 and a pedestrian throwing litter on the ground can cost $500," Bruce warned.

Bruce admitted he doesn't believe anyone has been levied with the $1,000 fine since council increased the penalty last year, but said the main purpose of the campaign is to educate Calgarians.

"It's your city and you want to see it kept clean," Bruce said.

SHELLEY ROSS/FOR METRO CALGARY

**Animal and Bylaw Services director Bill Bruce hands out "stubbies" and trash bags to motorists for cigarette butt and gum disposal at the Signal Hill Second Cup.**

The city began handing out vehicle garbage bags and small bins for gum and cigarettes as part of the campaign to give them the "tools" they need to keep the city a cleaner place.

Second Cup is also participating in the campaign by handing out the items.

Smoker Alicia Mesons said she wasn't aware the fine was so high and vowed to be more careful.

"I know I shouldn't but I am sure I have thrown some butts out before. But that's a lot of money so I wouldn't want to get caught doing it," she said.

# SAIT photojournalists get second shot at world photo contest

JESSICA PICHE
for Metro Calgary

**TRAVEL** Two SAIT journalism students will still be able to compete in the Sony World Photography Contest despite missing the plane to France last Monday due to volcanic ash.

Cody Spence and Laura Fetherstonhaugh were awarded a one week, all expenses paid trip to Cannes after being shortlisted for their photographs representing "War and Peace" in Canada. However, flight disruptions cancelled their opportunity to attend.

According to Ania Wadsworth, of the World Photography Organisation, the student focus competition will now occur in May, but from a students' respective country.

The original challenge was to capture a unique vision of Cannes within a specific 24-hour time frame.

"I think it will be more interesting now," said Fetherstonhaugh. "Instead of one city, there will be 'days in the life' of six countries."

Inability to participate in the week's events frustrated Spence. "I missed out on the opportunity to have my portfolio reviewed by top photographers and people in the industry," he said.

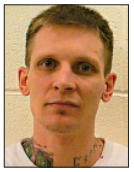
The photography teams from Australia and India were also unable to make it to Cannes. The students from Poland, Argentina and South Africa spent the week in France attending photography workshops and seminars.

# Police on the lookout for fugitives in Calgary area

**WANTED** Two men are currently being sought by the Integrated Fugitive Apprehension Unit.

Michael David Pratt, 36, is believed to be in the Calgary area.

He is wanted by authorities for failing to abide by the conditions of his release while serving a federal sentence for robbery with a firearm, impaired driving and a drug offence, according to police.



**Michael David Pratt**

Pratt is Caucasian with blonde hair and blue eyes. He sports a tattoo on his neck depicting shrunken heads, the word "Skinhead" and Viking terminology.

**James Edgar Lewis**

James Edgar Lewis, 24, is wanted for firearm and drug trafficking-related offences.

Anyone with information on the whereabouts of either of the men is asked to call police at 403-266-1234, or leave an anonymous tip with Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-8477. METRO CALGARY

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**Slain journalist to be honoured**
Michelle Lang, the Calgary Herald reporter killed in Afghanistan last year, will be honoured with a Special Award by the Michener Awards Foundation. Lang died along with four Canadian soldiers last Dec. 30 when the armoured vehicle they were in struck a roadside bomb. THE CANADIAN PRESS

## Duck deaths won't result in jail time

**JUSTICE** Win or lose, executives of oilsands giant Syncrude will not face jail time for the deaths of 1,600 ducks on one of their oilsands tailings ponds.

Federal prosecutor Kent Brown said yesterday that while one environmental charge against the company includes a maximum penalty of six months in jail for executives, he won't ask for that even if he wins the case.

Brown says the circumstances don't merit it.

The lawyer for Syncrude, Robert White, says he will argue that the two charges are so similar one should be tossed out.

If convicted, the company faces a combined maximum of $800,000 in fines.

THE CANADIAN PRESS

## News in brief

**THEFTS** Truck tailgates were the target of culprits in Red Deer after reports of several of the back ends missing in the city. Police said suspects took the tailgates from newer model trucks, between 10 p.m. Monday and 6 a.m. yesterday.

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# Guide dogs guided around Calgary LRT

JESSICA PICHE
for Metro Calgary

**For many of the young dogs, it was their first time using public transit.**

Twelve puppies from the Alberta Guide Dog Services (AGDS) and their trainers experienced the sights and sounds of the LRT yesterday morning as part of a training program for the pups.

It is important that guide dogs be comfortable using the C-Train, as that is often the main mode of transport for their blind owners, says AGDS spokesperson Susan Deike.

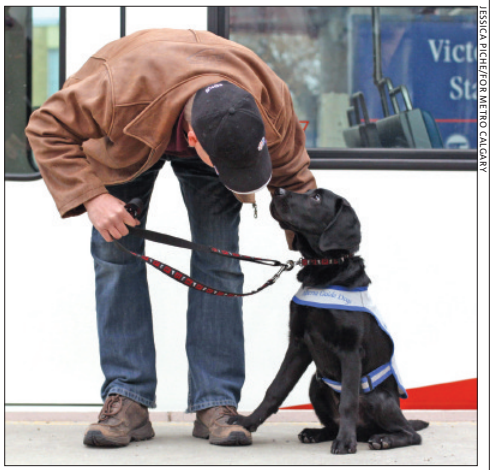
LRT training also helps educate the public on the role guide dogs play in the community.

"It's an awareness thing," says Deike. "The more people see them, the more likely they are to accept them."

It takes two years of around the clock training to produce a guide dog. "Sometimes I ask myself why I got into this," says trainer Joey Boutin about his puppy Panther. "But I'm learning as much as he is."

Currently there are more than 10 guide dogs working in Alberta, including one attending high school with his 17-year-old owner.

"It's the ultimate life for a dog," says Deike. "They get to go to work every day with their family."



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Five-month-old guide puppy, Panther, listens to trainer Joey Boutin while preparing to board the LRT during a training session yesterday.

## The Vajayjay Monologues hits the stage tonight

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**COMEDY** If you think you can find love on the Bachelor, that Charlie Sheen is a keeper, or you like Sarah Palin and Ann Coulter — you are a Vajayjay.

At least according to The Vajayjay Monologues writer and performer Lindsay Burns, who has re-created Eve Ensler's Vagina Monologues in a humorous way that looks at the way society and feminism has trended backwards.

"It's a bad thing. Britney Spears out getting photographed pantyless, the 'Octomom' and Jon & Kate Plus 8 ... we have gone from vagina to vajayjay," she said, referring to the term she first heard on Oprah.

"Why see Ann Coulter? Come see my show."

Burns's comedic take on the monologues premiers tonight and for more information please visit www.urbancurvz.com.

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## Lesser Slave Lake's whitefish evolving to be smaller: Researcher

**NATURE** Survival of the fittest — or survival of the smallest?

Research done by Sean Rogers, assistant professor in the Department of Biological Sciences at the University of Calgary, shows whitefish in Lesser Slave Lake have evolved to be smaller because of the fishery.

"The net sizes used by the commercial fishery at Lesser Slave Lake have always been designed to catch the biggest and best fish," said Rogers.

This has left the fish that mature more slowly. The revelation could have an impact on the management practices of the fishery, said John Tchir, senior fisheries biologist for the province.

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**Chicken farming idea flies coop**
A proposal to allow backyard chicken farming isn't taking flight in London, Ont. The Environment and Transportation Committee refused to endorse — or even discuss — the idea. THE CANADIAN PRESS 5

# Canada

## Youth dangerously inactive, says report

**Canada has created a nation of baby couch potatoes, where more than half of preschoolers are dangerously inactive, according to an annual report card on physical activity.**

Children between ages one and five need at least two hours of exercise each day, whether it's exploring the playground, playing games or walking to the grocery store, says the 2010 report card from Active Healthy Kids Canada, released yesterday. But less than half are getting the daily movement they need for healthy growth and development, putting them at risk for obesity and other health problems and on a slow-motion trajectory before they've finished kindergarten.

"Active play may be fun, but it's not frivolous," says Mark Tremblay, chief scientific officer of the research and advocacy organization. "Kids have a biological need to move."

When they are plunked in front of the TV or strapped into strollers for the sake of convenience, "there are measurable cognitive, social, emotional and physical consequences," he added. "We're messing with Mother Nature." TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

### Couch potatoes

- In 1971, the average age kids started watching television was four; today it's five months, even though groups like the American Academy of Pediatrics recommend no TV before age two. Last week four of the best-selling educational apps at the Canadian iTunes store were for children under four.

## Ottawa **Wireless danger?**

ADRIAN WYLD/THE CANADIAN PRESS

Electrical teacher Francois Therrien, an advocate with a group called Save our Children from Microwaves, holds a microwave detector as he speaks with the media on Parliament Hill in Ottawa yesterday about the dangers of wireless technology. A committee of MPs heard conflicting evidence on the safety of cellphones and other wireless technology.

## **News** in brief

**ABORTION** Prime Minister Stephen Harper told the House of Commons there is plenty for Canada to spend its development dollars on besides abortion as he offered his first detailed comments on his government's G8 child- and maternal-health initiative. Liberal Leader Michael Ignatieff accused the Conservatives of embarrassing Canada.

**POLITICS** The Harper government has lost an epic battle that pitted its right to keep national-security secrets against Parliament's right to know. The Speaker of the Commons ruled yesterday that the government's refusal to hand over uncensored documents on Afghan detainees violates the privilege of the House. THE CANADIAN PRESS

## Law-and-order plan to cost big money

**BUDGET** A price tag for part of the Conservatives' law-and-order agenda is about to be made public — and the number is in the billions, far higher than any previous estimates.

The parliamentary budget officer forecasts the cost of implementing just one of the Tories' many tough-on-crime bills is between $7 billion and $10 billion over the next five years.

Kevin Page's complex investigation into the budget implications of the so-called "Truth in Sentencing" legislation — also known as the two-for-one sentencing law — is expected to be made public early next week. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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**Only admitted Malcolm X shooter freed from prison**

The only man to admit shooting Malcolm X was freed on parole yesterday. Thomas Hagan, the last man still serving time in the 1965 assassination, was freed from a Manhattan prison where he spent two days a week under a work-release program, a New York state Department of Correctional Services spokeswoman said. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

# World

## Korean woman on top of the world

A South Korean became the first woman to scale the world's 14 highest mountains yesterday. Oh Eun-sun, 44, arrived at the final, steep stretch of Annapurna in the Himalayas 13 hours after she left the last camp to beat a Spanish rival to the record. Officials said Annapurna was the last of the 14 peaks above 8,000 metres Oh, left, needed to climb to set the mark. She reached the summit — 8,091 metres above sea level — 13 years after she scaled her first Himalayan mountain, Gasherbrum II, in 1997. She scaled Everest in 2004. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

# Senators want an about Face ... book

**Four U.S. senators want Facebook to make it easier for its more than 400 million users to protect their privacy as the website develops new outlets to share personal information.**

The call for simpler privacy controls came in a letter that the senators planned to send yesterday to Facebook founder Mark Zuckerberg. The Associated Press obtained a draft of the letter signed by Sen. Charles Schumer, a New York Democrat; Sen. Michael Bennet, a Colorado Democrat; Sen. Mark Begich, Alaska Democrat; and Sen. Al Franken, a Minnesota Democrat.

Zuckerberg

It marked the second time in three days that Schumer has expressed his misgivings about a series of changes that Facebook announced last week. The new features are designed to unlock more of the data that the online hangout has accumulated about people during its six-year history.

In a written response to Schumer, Facebook vice-president Elliot Schrage said yesterday that the company welcomes "a continued dialogue with you and others because we agree that scrutiny over the handling of personal data is needed as Internet users seek a more social and interactive experience."

He echoed earlier statements that Facebook's aims to give users more control, not less. Privacy advocates have disagreed, saying the company now expects users to share things publicly that they previously could restrict to a select group of online friends.

Among other things, Facebook is plugging into other websites so people can communicate their interests with their online entourages. Facebook also tweaked its own website to create more pages where people's biographical information could be exposed to a wider audience.

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### Facebook threat

- A public prosecutor says a threat against Serbia's pro-democracy president that was posted on Facebook must be taken seriously. A previously unknown group posted the threat against President Boris Tadic saying, "Tadic, a bullet-proof Mercedes won't help you. When you open the door, a sniper awaits you."

*The rise of Nick Clegg presents U.K. with a problem familiar to Canadian voters.*

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## Ukraine **Chaos in parliament**

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Ukrainian lawmakers fight against each other during ratification of the Black Sea Fleet deal with Russia, in Kiev, yesterday. Ukraine's parliament voted to extend Russia's lease of a Crimean naval port in a chaotic session during which eggs and smoke bombs were thrown.

## Wal-Mart discrimination lawsuit to go to trial

**SAN FRANCISCO** A sharply divided U.S. federal appeals court on Monday exposed Wal-Mart Stores Inc. to billions of dollars in legal damages when it ruled a massive class action lawsuit alleging gender discrimination over pay for female workers can go to trial.

In its 6-5 ruling, the 9th Circuit U.S. Court of Appeals said the world's largest private employer will have to face charges that it pays women less than men for the same jobs and that female employees receive fewer promotions and have to wait longer for those promotions than male counterparts.

The retailer has fiercely fought the lawsuit since it was first filed by six women in federal court in San Francisco in 2001 and said it would appeal the decision to the U.S. Supreme Court. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

## Palestinian girls headed for fair

**WEST BANK** Watching her blind aunt and uncle struggle to navigate, one Palestinian girl decided to reinvent the stick. Armed with spare parts that are hard to find in the West Bank, Asil Abu Lil and two classmates patched together an obstacle-detecting cane that has won them a trip to California for Intel Corp.'s international youth science fair. The three girls are the first Palestinians to participate in the prestigious event.

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## **News** in brief

**SCOTLAND** What lurks beneath the dark waters of Loch Ness? Newly released documents on display yesterday show that during the 1930s, police were convinced some sort of creature inhabited the lake — so sure, in fact, that they worried about how to protect it from big-game hunters. The files show that local officials asked Britain's parliament to investigate the issue and confirm the monster's existence.

**FRANCE** A judge ordered former Panamanian dictator Manuel Noriega jailed yesterday pending a trial for money laundering, a decision made only hours after Noriega was extradited from the United States following two decades in a Miami prison.

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**Palin email hacking case goes to jury**
The case against a man charged with hacking into Sarah Palin's email went to a federal jury yesterday in Tennessee. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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Giovanni Tegano is escorted by police yesterday.

# Mob boss arrested after 17 years on run

**A veteran mobster was arrested after 17 years on the run, but a sympathetic crowd cheered him on yesterday as he was escorted out of a police barracks and taken to jail.**

Giovanni Tegano, a member of the 'ndrangheta organized crime group, was on the list of Italy's top 30 most wanted fugitives. Officials described the 70-year-old as a notorious figure in a crime-ridden area and hailed his arrest as a tough blow to the 'ndrangheta, a crime syndicate based in the poor region of Calabria.

Police cordoned-off the cheering crowd of scores of people as Tegano was leaving the police headquarters in Reggio Calabria yesterday.

"Giovanni is a man of peace!" one woman shouted. The white-haired, bespectacled Tegano smiled and waved back.

The 'ndrangheta, linked to crime around the world, is today considered more powerful than the Sicilian Mafia. Tegano is regarded as one of the few remaining mobsters of the 'ndrangheta's old guard. He was implicated in a turf war in the mid-1980s that left scores dead, and for that he has been convicted to life in jail.

Officials said the mobster was apprehended Monday evening. Also arrested were five men who were with him and are accused of helping him during his years as a fugitive.

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## Noah's Ark located?

**TURKEY** A group of Christian researchers claimed yesterday they have found the remains of Noah's Ark, located four kilometres up the side of Turkey's Mt. Ararat.

The famed mount is the biblical docking point of the vessel, which carried Noah, his family and representatives of all the world's animals safely while God flooded the Earth. In the Book of Genesis, the ark is said to have come to rest in the "mountains of Ararat."

Explorers, adventurers and mystics have sought the ark for centuries, poring over the mountain range which straddles the Turkish border with Armenia. Now a group called Noah's Ark Ministries International says they've found the ship's wreckage.

The researchers and a film crew have apparently uncovered wooden beams and compartments they say housed the animals. Carbon dating has proven the structure to be 4,800 years old, Yeung said, which gibes with the literal biblical timeline of the flood. He also says the group has ruled out a human settlement at the dig site.

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## $17K ring donated to Goodwill

**PENNSYLVANIA** A retired jeweller sorting through items donated to a charity spotted one fabulous find: a 2.6-carat diamond and platinum ring. Officials from Goodwill Industries say the ring has been appraised at $17,600 US, making it the most expensive item ever donated to Goodwill Industries Keystone Area, in Pennsylvania. The ring has a two-carat European-cut diamond, surrounded 14 smaller diamonds. Officials aren't sure why the ring was donated. No one has come forward to take credit.

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# There are two sides to every story

TheWestView

Unlike Alberta Premier Ed Stelmach, I've seen James Cameron's blockbuster movie Avatar.

If you haven't seen it yet, I recommend it. It's science fantasy set 125 years in the future on a planet far, far away. Earthlings, hot for a metal called "unobtanium," colonize and then push around giant, blue indigenous people in order to obtain as much unobtanium as possible.

They make a mess of beautiful Pandora, much the way the oilsands are making a mess of northern Alberta. Struck by the parallels, George Poitras, an aboriginal leader from Alberta, invited Cameron to see the oilsands for himself. Not to be outdone, Stelmach extended his own invitation, hoping to co-opt the inevitable photo op featuring the Hollywood director rescuing ducks from tailing ponds.

Cameron is probably wondering what he got himself into. It's his own fault: He threw unobtanium on the fire by calling the oilsands a "black eye" on Canada's reputation, saying it's the "wrong solution" for our energy requirements. Well, the reason the oilsands exist at all is that they are the only solution, as all the alternative energy sources don't even come close to meeting our needs — and they come with their own problems.

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If you don't think those are serious, you're not familiar with the giant stink in B.C., my home province, over hydroelectric power, generally viewed as clean energy when compared to petroleum.

Avatar is a cautionary tale about what happens when greed rules. I won't spoil the ending; there are still plenty of people who want to see it — it's the fastest selling home video of all time: 6.7 million copies in four days.

Not bad for a retelling of the old Cowboys vs. Indians dusters we cut our teeth on, although this time, the Indians are the good guys.

But look, it's a fantasy. Here on Gaia, Cameron needs plenty of unobtanium to power his 8,272-square-foot mansion, dirt bikes, Ducati, Ford GT, Corvettes, submersibles, etc. At one point, he owned a helicopter. He flew a private jet to protest the construction of a dam in Brazil. I'm not saying he's a hypocrite — but he lives in Malibu, for goodness sake — and is at the very least conflicted.

So, Ed Stelmach should rent Cameron's movie. He might look at the environment as something other than a necessary evil. And Cameron should visit Stelmach's oilsands and find out what makes his ginormous carbon footprint possible.

And then the two of them should get real.

Paul Sullivan is a Vancouver-based journalist and owner of Sullivan Media Consulting; vancouverletters@metronews.ca.

## Word on the street: If you could fill the governor general position with any Canadian you wanted, who would it be?

**Gerry Gao**
Calgary
A: Jarome Iginla is a good leader.

**Stephanie Baird**
Calgary
A: Sidney Crosby. He seems like he has a good head on his shoulders.

**Barry Symbaluk**
Edmonton
A: I'll have to go with Don Cherry. I'd think he'd make a good governor general because he's pretty political. He's also really opinionated and definitely Canadian.

**Rebecca Hall**
Ottawa
A: William Shatner because his ability to be the captain of a starship and be a beat poet is pretty impressive.

**Greg Lawson**
Halifax
A: Romeo Dallaire. He's done a lot for this country. I think he's very deserving.

**Seanna Harkness**
Toronto
A: Mike Meyers. He's intelligent and compassionate, and he always sticks up for Canadians. Plus he's funny.

MICHAEL DE ADDER

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**Ontario GM plant to get $235 million investment**
GM Canada will invest $235 million at its powertrain plant in St. Catharines, Ont., securing up to 400 jobs. THE CANADIAN PRESS

# Business

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## Consumers still wary about recovery: Poll

**All the economic indicators have been pointing up, but Canadians have yet to fully buy into the economic recovery, a new survey suggests.**

The Conference Board of Canada's consumer confidence index fell a surprising and statistically significant 7.8 points this month to 84.8, the lowest it's been since December.

The finding comes as a U.S. survey found consumer confidence there rising, although the mood of Americans remained far more pessimistic in comparison with Canadians.

While employment has been trending up, Canadians may be disappointed with the pace of job creation, said Todd Crawford, an economist with the Ottawa-based think-tank, adding that they may also have been influenced by expectations that the Bank of Canada plans to start raising interest rates.

Canada's chartered banks have already stepped ahead of the curve with a string of rate hikes that have added about one per cent to the fixed rate on longer-term mortgages. The Royal Bank and TD Bank edged rates up slightly again Monday by 0.15 per cent.

TD Bank economist David Onyett-Jeffries said the Canadian result would be more worrying if it were part of a trend, noting that Canadians are still far more optimistic than their American counterparts.

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## iPhone probe leads to police seizures

**TECH** Authorities seized computers, digital cameras, a cellphone and other items from a technology blog editor who posted pictures and details of a lost iPhone prototype.

A computer-crime task force made up of multiple law-enforcement agencies searched Gizmodo editor and blogger Jason Chen's house and car in Fremont, Calif., on Friday, according to a statement and search-warrant documents provided by Gizmodo.

The warrant, issued by a Superior Court judge in San Mateo County, said the devices may have been used to commit a felony.

Last week Gizmodo posted photos of an Apple device that appeared to be a next-generation iPhone. It had been found in a bar in Redwood City and sold for $5,000 by an unknown person to Gizmodo, a gadget blog owned by Gawker Media Inc. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

## In brief

**SENATE** Top Goldman Sachs officials defended their conduct in the financial crisis before a Senate panel yesterday, flatly disputing the U.S. government's fraud allegations against the giant financial house. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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**Flyers' Laperriere likely done for season**

The Philadelphia Flyers say forward Ian Laperriere has a brain contusion and mild concussion and is probably out for the rest of the season. Laperriere was hit by a puck blocking a shot during the third period of last Thursday's first-round playoff game with the New Jersey Devils. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

# Sports

## Savard given OK to play

**Marc Savard, left, has been cleared to play and will be available for the Boston Bruins' second-round playoff series against Pittsburgh or Philadelphia. Bruins general manager Peter Chiarelli made the announcement yesterday during a conference call, saying Savard was tested by Dr. Jeremy Schmahamann the previous day and got the OK to return to the ice.** THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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# Wings roll over Coyotes

**(Detroit wins series 4-3)**

**Red Wings 6 Coyotes 1**

**The Detroit Red Wings spoiled the big party in Arizona, bringing the Phoenix Coyotes back to Earth with a resounding thud in a 6-1 rout in Game 7 of their first-round playoff series last night.**

Pavel Datsyuk scored twice in a span of less than two minutes and Nicklas Lidstrom had two goals a day shy of his 40th birthday for the Red Wings. Detroit, a Stanley Cup finalist the past two seasons, won in Arizona for the third time in the series to advance to a Western Conference second-round matchup with top-seeded San Jose.

Vernon Fiddler scored the Coyotes' only goal on a second-period faceoff.

The fifth-seeded Red Wings bombarded goalie Ilya Bryzgalov from the start, outshooting Phoenix 50-33, including 39-21 in the first two periods. Bryzgalov held on through a scoreless first period, but Detroit scored four goals in the second en route to its first Game 7 win on the road in 46 years.

Jimmy Howard made 32 saves for the Red Wings.

Coyotes captain Shane Doan, the only player still around who was on the team when Phoenix last made the playoffs in 2002, missed his fourth straight game with an upper body injury.

The Red Wings had blown a chance to clinch the series at home on Sunday, when the fourth-seeded Coyotes won 5-2. That set up the decisive game in Glendale, where a capacity white-clad crowd anticipated something much different than the Detroit drubbing that unfolded before them.

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**Detroit Red Wings centre Pavel Datsyuk scores past Phoenix Coyotes goalie Ilya Bryzgalov last night in Glendale, Ariz.**

# LeBron powers Cavs into second round

**(Cleveland wins 4-1)**

**Bulls 94 Cavaliers 96**

LeBron James just missed a triple-double despite an apparently sore right elbow, and the Cleveland Cavaliers advanced to a playoff date with Boston by beating Chicago 96-94 in Game 5 last night in perhaps Vinny Del Negro's final game as Bulls coach.

James, favouring a tender right elbow that appears to hurt worse than he's letting on, scored 19 points — 16 in the second half — and added 10 rebounds and nine assists as the Cavs finally saddled the stubborn Bulls to win the series 4-1. Unable to lift his right arm, James was forced to shoot a free throw left-handed with 7.8 seconds left.

Antawn Jamison scored 25 points for Cleveland, which will face the Celtics, reuniting teams that don't like each other and who played a testy seven-game series in 2008.

Game 1 is Saturday.

"A lot of people are saying they're too old, but we know they're going to come out and give us their best shot," said Jamison.

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## Sports in brief

**SOCCER** Bayern Munich brushed aside Lyon 3-0 yesterday to advance to its first Champions League final in nine years. Bayern will go for its fifth European Cup against either Barcelona or Inter Milan in the May 22 final. Barcelona hosts Inter today, with Inter leading 3-1.

**NBA** The family of late Washington Wizards owner Abe Pollin has agreed to the "major economic terms" of a deal to sell its stake in the NBA team to Washington Capitals owner Ted Leonsis.

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## SCOREBOARD

**NHL PLAYOFFS**

YESTERDAY'S RESULTS
Detroit 6 Phoenix 1 (Wings win series 4-3)

TODAY'S GAME
Montreal at Washington, 5 p.m. (Series tied 3-3)

**NBA PLAYOFFS**

YESTERDAY'S RESULTS
Boston 96 Miami 86 (Celtics win series 4-1)
Cleveland 96 Chicago 94 (Cavaliers win series 4-1)
Dallas 103 San Antonio 81 (Spurs lead series 3-2)
Oklahoma City at L.A. Lakers

TODAY'S GAMES
Milwaukee at Atlanta, 6 p.m. (Series tied 2-2)
Utah at Denver, 8:30 p.m. (Jazz lead series 3-1)

**BASEBALL**

YESTERDAY'S AL RESULTS
Boston 2 Toronto 1
Minnesota 2 Detroit 0
Tampa Bay 8 Oakland 6
Baltimore 5 N.Y. Yankees 4
Texas 4 Chicago White Sox 2
Seattle 3 Kansas City 2
Cleveland at L.A. Angels

YESTERDAY'S NL RESULTS
N.Y. Mets 4 L.A. Dodgers 0
N.Y. Mets 10 L.A. Dodgers 5 (2nd game)
San Diego 4 Florida 1
Washington 3 Chicago Cubs 1
Pittsburgh 7 Milwaukee 3
St. Louis 5 Atlanta 4
Cincinnati 6 Houston 2
Colorado 12 Arizona 1
Philadelphia at San Francisco

TODAY'S AL GAMES
Seattle at Kansas City, 12:10 p.m.
Cleveland at L.A. Angels, 5:05 p.m.
Minnesota at Detroit, 5:05 p.m.
N.Y. Yankees at Baltimore, 5:05 p.m.
Boston at Toronto, 5:07 p.m.
Oakland at Tampa Bay, 5:10 p.m.
Chicago White Sox at Texas, 6:05 p.m.

TODAY'S NL GAMES
San Diego at Florida, 10:10 a.m.
L.A. Dodgers at N.Y. Mets, 11:10 a.m.
Pittsburgh at Milwaukee, 11:10 a.m.
Washington at Chicago Cubs, 12:20 p.m.
Arizona at Colorado, 1:10 p.m.
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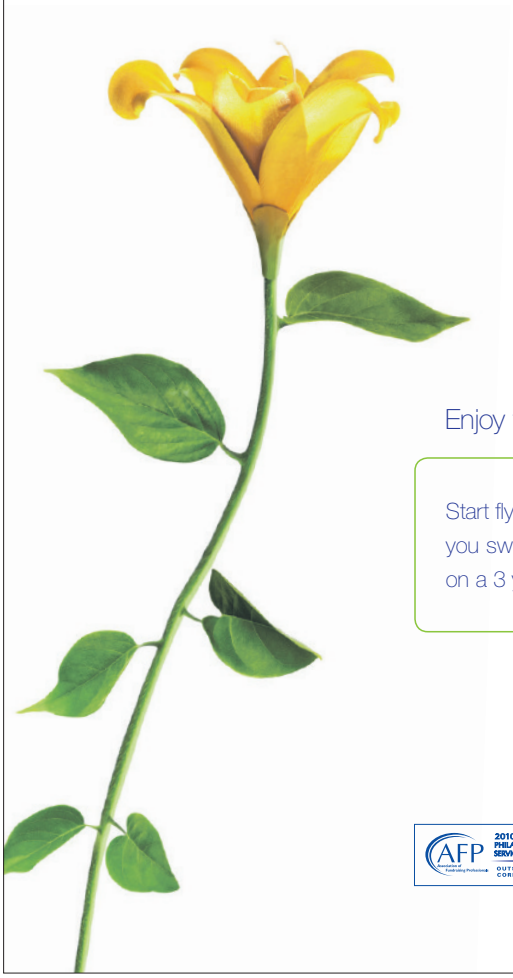

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**Research aims for steering with eyes**

Researchers at a university in Berlin have developed software which allows a driver to steer a car with his eyes. A team from Freie Universität's Artificial Intelligence Group demonstrated the system, installed in a Dodge Grand Caravan named the Spirit of Berlin. METRO NEWS SERVICES

# Metro Drive

**The ultimate prize**

The Tesla Roadster was offered as a prize on the Earth Day edition of The Price Is Right. The eco-friendly sports car was the most expensive giveaway ever on the TV show. METRO NEWS SERVICES

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# Ford shows Super power

## The all-new 2011 Super Duty a solid pickup with a green heart

JIL MCINTOSH
for Metro Canada

**Sometimes big just isn't big enough. Following the redesign of its F-150 pickup truck, Ford now unveils the all-new 2011 Super Duty, with new diesel and gasoline engines that deliver double-digit mileage improvement.**

The Super Duty comes as the F-250 and F-350 pickup; in pickup or chassis cab as the F-450; and as the chassis-cab-only F-550.

The new 6.2-litre gasoline engine produces 385 horsepower and 405 lb-ft of torque, versus the 300/365 of the outgoing 5.4-litre V8. The big news is the 6.7-litre Power Stroke turbodiesel, at 390 horses and a house-pulling 735 lb-ft of twist. That's 85 lb-ft more than the previous 6.4-litre diesel, although General Motors has recently announced that its upcoming all-new diesel will make a segment-topping 765 lb-ft of torque.

The new Power Stroke is also Ford's first North American diesel designed and built in-house, following an acrimonious divorce from previous engine supplier International.

Trucks this big are exempt from government fuel ratings, but Ford claims an improvement of 18 per cent better on diesel, and 15 per cent improvement on gasoline versus the old engines.

Using the vehicle's trip computer, and carrying four people and a 1,000-lb load, my diesel F-350 single-rear-wheel test truck registered the equivalent of 8.1 L/100 km (35 mpg) in mostly highway driving.

The fuel savings should help offset the diesel's hefty premium of $9,950. Equipped with gasoline engines, and available in Regular, SuperCab and SuperCrew, the Super Duty's starting prices range from $35,499 for a base Regular cab, to a high of $59,599, which gets you the F-450 dual-wheel SuperCrew.

The diesel is so quiet that it sounds like a gasoline engine, and the truck rides with big-car smoothness, even when there's no load in the bed. The days of trucks that rattle and bounce over every little bump in the road are over.

Towing enhancements include trailer sway control, integrated brake controller, a diesel engine brake, and hill start assist. Conventional towing maxes at 7,257 kg (16,000 lbs), while fifth-wheel goes up to 11,067 kg (24,400 lbs); a factory-installed optional fifth wheel/gooseneck package adds an additional crossmember, laser-cut holes for the hitch, and a harness plug inside the bed.

A new optional driver information screen even keeps mileage records on various trailers entered in its memory.

The heavy-duty segment is small but vital, and buyers are looking for ability and economy.

With this new truck, Ford is coming to the job site with both.

The 2011 Ford Super Duty

**2011 Ford Super Duty**

**Type:** Pickup truck
**Price:** from $35,499
**Engine:** 6.2L gasoline /6.7L diesel
**HP:** 385/390

**Highlights**

- Big improvements in fuel economy
- Big-car smoothness

VW Touareg

# VW brings hybrid Touareg

**NEW MODEL** Volkswagen has announced the second generation Touareg showcasing the brand's first-ever hybrid.

Taking the Touareg to the forefront of its class are three available engines to suit a variety of different drivers: A V6 FSI gasoline engine, a V6 TDI Clean Diesel engine, and a V6 TSI gasoline hybrid engine.

With the hybrid model, a 3.0-litre supercharged, direct injection V6 gasoline engine is paired with a special electric motor that reduces fuel consumption and CO2 emissions by about 40 per cent.

An eight-speed automatic transmission (the first of its kind in an SUV) keeps power always available while helping the Touareg Hybrid achieve approximately 25 and 21 mpg during highway and city driving respectively.

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**Tony Stark and Audi throw challenge**

Audi has announced that it is launching a social media competition called The Tony Stark Innovation Challenge. Beginning April 28, consumers can submit two-minute videos that showcase their ideas for better living through the use of technology. METRO NEWS SERVICES

# The station wagon rises again

Coolness can swing in another direction in a moment's notice. One day you're swaggering around in acid-wash jeans and big hair, happily playing air guitar to Slayer, then suddenly, a couple of decades later, people start avoiding you at parties.

But true coolness cannot be denied. Don't know if you noticed, but acid jeans have made a mild comeback, and so has the station wagon.

For a lot of years, the station wagon was the only vehicle option for larger families. Then came the minivan, the SUV, and the crossover, and various experiments and presto! The station wagon becomes so last century, which is when it was actually invented.

The term dates from the era of rail travel. The vehicles hired to pick up and drop off people needed extra room at the back for luggage. Individual operators modified their sedans accordingly, and later, so did the automakers. This type of vehicle became the "wagon" that toiled around the "station."

Fuelling the station wagon's current swing back to coolness is the arrival of some really slick high-end models — like Audi A6 Avant and Cadillac CTS Wagon. Sporty, high-end station wagons have always had a small, dedicated following, but recently they're also welcoming buyers defecting from overly ostentatious SUVs and crossovers.

Paul Dineen, CTS marketing manager for Canada, told us the Sport Wagon gives Cadillac "a fresh product message" and "laid the groundwork for future CTS models." Those future models would be the CTS Coupe, and a higher-octane version of wagon, the latter just debuting at the recent New York auto show. Like the CTS-V sedan, the CTS-V wagon will pack a 6.2-litre supercharged V8, good for 556 horsepower, and can be ordered with a 6-speed manual transmission. Now that's a wagon!

Hyundai Canada has seen a 20 per cent jump in sales for its Elantra Touring.

Dineen anticipates wagons to be eight to 10 per cent of the mid luxury segment.

My friend Bob recently picked up a 2003 BMW 325i Touring. Like other devotees of sporty wagons, he points to the lower centre of gravity and inherent sportiness these vehicles offer over taller, heavier alternatives.

He puts it this way: "You can have fun driving it to Home Depot, and still come back with a load of building supplies."

There's also some new and cool wagon action at the lower end of the market, though when it comes to these shorter cars, the definition gets murky, whether they are a traditional station wagon or a "squared off" five-door hatch. At any rate, my current faves in the compact segment are Mini Clubman, Volkswagen Golf Wagon, and Hyundai Elantra Touring.

The Elantra Touring was styled in Europe, and exhibits some of the flair of the more expensive wagons. Hyundai Canada's VP of marketing, John Vermine, notes sales of Touring is up 20 per cent over last year (when it was first introduced).

He noted also that many customers "come into our dealerships to look at the Elantra sedan, and leave with the Elantra Touring."

Michael Goetz has been writing about cars and editing automotive publications for over 20 years. He lives in Toronto with his family and a neglected 1967 Jaguar E-type.

## Hitch you wagon!

Here are some affordable wagons available in Canada:

- Hyundai Elantra Touring $14,999.
- Volkswagen Golf Wagon $22,675.
- Volkswagen Passat Wagon $29,995.
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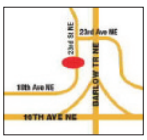


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# Workology

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# How the top employers do it

## After naming the best places to work in Canada, Great Places to Work tells us why

JON TATTRIE
for Metro Canada

**A new poll reveals the top places to work in Canada, but do Coldplay concerts and tree-planting days really boost a company's bottom line?**

Jen Wetherow is the director of Great Place to Work Canada. She says the company's list measures credibility, respect, fairness, pride and camaraderie.

"When you work with your people in a way that makes your employees happier, you end up with happier clients and stakeholders,'" she says.

Anyone can nominate a firm and GPTW then invites the workplaces to participate. A private survey is then sent to employees. The answers to this "trust index" account for two-thirds of a company's score. The other third comes a GPTW "culture audit" of the company's HR policies on things like maternity leave and same-sex partner rights.

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One of the things that earned Environics the top spot on Great Place to Work Canada's list, was taking staff to Coldplay concerts.

Bruce MacLellan is president of Environics, which came in first this year. The public relations firm is known for taking staff to Coldplay concerts and the "mandatory" vacations it pays for when staff reach milestone years.

He says getting poster slogans off the walls and into real life takes work. He likens it to building a hockey team over several years.

"Leaders have to lead to set directions, values and priorities, but then everyone on the team has to contribute," he says. When MacLellan leaves early for family reasons, he lets his staff know, thereby setting the tone for a healthy work-life balance. Environics had a mini baby boom last year, creating overlapping maternity leaves that were hard to handle. It responded by improving its flex hours and guaranteeing staff a daycare spot.

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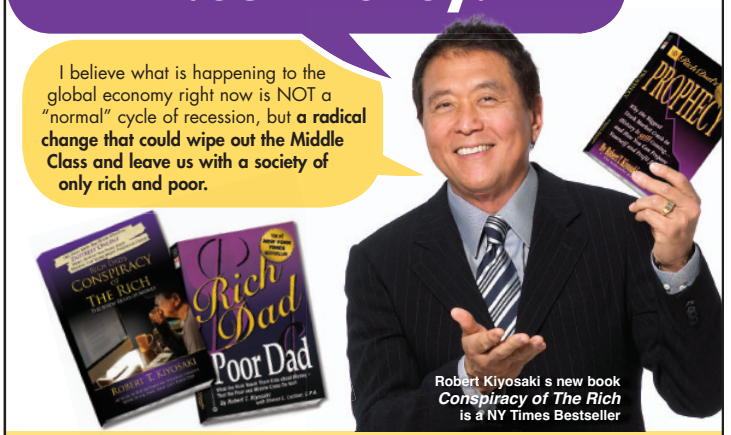


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Nancy Horan's bestselling Loving Frank: A Novel has brought attention to the tourist destination in Spring Green, Wisc., which had a record attendance last season of about 28,500 people. METRO NEWS SERVICES

# Travel

## Biking the Grand Canyon

**A bicycle rental program has been added at Grand Canyon National Park. Visitors will be able to rent bicycles starting May 1 from the visitor centre through the fall season, from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. daily. Guided tours also will be offered. Park Supt. Steve Martin says bicycling is a good way for visitors to experience the park's popular South Rim, which has bicycle-friendly infrastructure. Bicyclists won't have to contend with private vehicle traffic in some areas.** THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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**Air Canada gets worst on time rating**

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# More than fish and chips

## British restaurant scene becoming must-visit for foodie tourists

DOMINIC MIDGLEY
Metro World News

**There was a time when the UK was a great place to visit if you wanted to see wonderful art, fantastic theatre and fabulous countryside.**

It was just the food that you had to eat while you were there that was likely to ruin your holiday.

Now all that has changed. Instead of being forced to make do with well-done steak and overcooked vegetables, today's tourists have a culinary treat in store.

For the British restaurant scene has been transformed by a new generation of chefs who have changed the way we eat.

The revolution was begun, perhaps predictably, by a small group of Frenchmen who arrived in the Sixties and Seventies.

These included Albert and Michel Roux — who set up Le Gavroche and The Waterside Inn respectively — and Raymond Blanc, the proprietor of Le Manoir aux Qaut' Saisons.

METRO WORLD NEWS

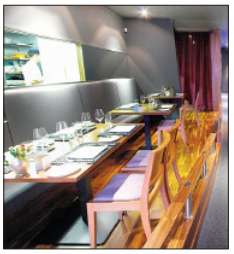
Britain, once known for its low culinary standards, is now topping lists around the world.

It's hard to overestimate quite how unsophisticated the British palate was in those days.

A vivid illustration of this came in 1957, when the BBC was able to fool many viewers into believing that spaghetti was grown on bushes in Switzerland by broadcasting an April Fool's edition of the current affairs program Panorama purporting to show the annual harvest in action.

Against this background the French invaders got to work, not only producing Michelin-starred cuisine but training a new generation of British chefs such as Marco Pierre White and Gordon Ramsay, who went on to spread the gospel of great cooking with high-quality seasonal ingredients.

By now, the British consumer had also grown more adventurous thanks to the package holiday boom, which took millions of Brits to Spain, France and Italy every year.



U.K. fine dining is now the norm.

These days, the average Brit is not only familiar with spaghetti but knows their papardelle from their tortellini.

Indeed, the Brits have become so accomplished that they are exporting their expertise abroad, including, to the horror of the establishment there, to France.

The French media were recently aghast to discover that the coolest chef role model among the young was no longer Escoffier but a scruffy young Englishman called Jamie Oliver.

His books, including one called Tout le Monde Peut Cuisiner, regularly top the bestseller lists.

As Gordon Ramsay once said: "Cooked well, British cooking is as good, if not better, than any other."

### 3 must visit restaurants

**1 The Fat Duck**
Chef Heston Blumenthal
Where: High Street, Bray, Berkshire
Style: molecular gastronomy
Signature dish: Sound of the sea, which is served with a soundtrack of marine noises accessed via an iPod and earphones
Rough price: $230 a head (tasting menu)

**2 Fifteen**
Chef Jamie Oliver (founder)
Where: 15 Westland Place, London N1 7LP (Also Cornwall, Amsterdam and Melbourne)
Style: Italian Mediterranean
Signature dish: 'Brasato al Barolo' Buccleuch Estate shin of beef slow braised in red wine with sott'olio of Tropea onions, and artichokes mostarda di Cremona Rough
Price: $90 a head (evening tasting menu), $40 a head (set lunch).

**3 Gordon Ramsay**
Chef Clare Smyth
Where: 68 Royal Hospital Road, London
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**Ring returns in 3-D**
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# Entertainment

**Blunt denial**
Emily Blunt has revealed that she turned down a role in Captain America because she didn't want to commit to a franchise, femalefirst.co.uk reported.
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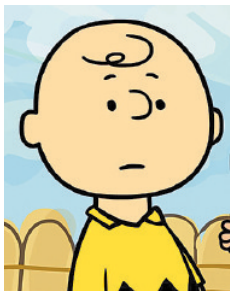

Charlie Brown has a new home.

## Peanuts sold to owner of Joe Boxer

COMICS You've got a new owner, Charlie Brown.

E.W. Scripps Co. said yesterday it will sell the unit that owns the licensing rights to Snoopy, Charlie Brown and the rest of the Peanuts gang for $175 million US to Joe Boxer owner Iconix Brand Group Inc.

The sale of United Media Licensing also means Iconix has a new partnership with the family of the late Peanuts creator, Charles Schulz. They'll receive 20 per cent ownership in the unit that owns Peanuts and pay that percentage of the sale price. United Media Licensing represents other character brands such as Dilbert and Fancy Nancy but the bulk of its licensing business comes from Peanuts.

The Peanuts gang appears everywhere — on T-shirts, greeting cards and sno-cone machines — six decades after the Minnesota native created them. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

# Banking on blockbusters

## Studios pushing sequels, adaptations and remakes this summer

STEVE GOW
for Metro Canada

**As we move towards summer, it seems summer moves closer to us — in terms of Hollywood anyway.**

In anticipation of the blockbuster season, Hollywood is increasingly frontloading the summer with its bulkiest movies.

This year, studios are particularly pushing sequels, adaptations and remakes banking on recognized brands to bring bucks to the box office. Here are some of summer's most massive movies:

**Iron Man 2 (May 7):** The superhero blockbuster that kicked off the 2008 summer season returns and even the least comic-book savvy are getting excited to see the real man of steel.

**Robin Hood (May 14):** Ridley Scott re-teams with his Gladiator star Russell Crowe to re-imagine the classic story of one medieval man's quest to steal from the rich and give to the poor.

**Shrek Forever After (May 21):** Everyone's favourite lime-green ogre is back for a fourth flick ensuring Mike Myers will be able to make his mortgage payments for another year.

Sex and the City 2, above, Iron Man 2, right, and Toy Story 3, below, are among the movie sequels that Hollywood studios are pushing during this summer's blockbuster season.

**Sex and the City 2 (May 27):** Carrie Bradshaw and the ladies reunite but move the glamorous party from Manhattan to Abu Dhabi. Presumably, Detroit wasn't sexy enough.

**The A-Team (June 11):** There are no in-betweens: Either you are giddy as a schoolgirl or gagging at the thought of this remake of the campy '80s TV show that starred master thespian Mr. T.

**Karate Kid (June 11):** Move over Ralph Macchio, Jaden Smith has come to town! In this remake of the 1984 classic, Will Smith's son stars as a martial arts prodigy to Jackie Chan.

**Toy Story 3 (June 18):** Buzz Lightyear, Woody and the rest of the toys find themselves in a day-care centre in this long-awaited third instalment to Pixar's hugely successful franchise.

**Eclipse (June 30):** The third chapter in the beloved Twilight saga, this series has turned both vampires and Robert Pattinson into teen obsessions. Coincidence? I wonder.

**The Last Airbender (July 2):** After 2008's disappointing The Happening, M. Night Shyamalan has his work cut out for him. Perhaps this adaptation of Nickelodeon's Asian-influenced TV series is just the remedy for salvation.

**Predators (July 9):** A return to Arnold Schwarzenegger's 1987 thriller, this spooky sci-fi franchise gets a face-lift thanks to producer Robert Rodriguez (Sin City).

### Other notables

- MacGruber (May 21)
- Prince of Persia (May 28)
- Marmaduke (June 4)
- Despicable Me (July 9)
- Salt (July 23)
- The Expendables (Aug. 13)

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# Music video comeback

## After directing celebs like Gaga, director Akerlund chairs global jury

KENYA HUNT
Metro World News

**"There's a pressure to outdo oneself with every music video," admits the director Jonas Akerlund.**

He's most well known for his long-time working relationship with Madonna. But lately, his music videos for Lady Gaga have been earning the most attention. There's Paparazzi, which features Alexander Skarsgård pushing the diva off a balcony. And let's not forget Telephone, the controversial but wildly good 10-minute blockbuster that has Beyoncé and Gaga raising hell as pop music's answer to Thelma and Louise. Akerlund — who will chair the global jury for the Metro Video Challenge — opens up about his body of work.

**Q Would you say that the music video has made a comeback of sorts?**

**A** It's funny because I kind of lost interest in them for a while because it seemed like the market didn't need music videos. We were making them and they were never shown. Young artists like Gaga and the Internet helped change the life of music videos. She brought it back to the '90s when it was fun and people watched them and actually talked about them. But it's not only Gaga, it's other videos that I've done too. Maroon 5, Rammstein, Mika, these have all been very successful videos.

**Q Many media outlets claimed that your music video Telephone was based on the movie Kill Bill. Would you agree with that?**

**A** Kill Bill was never an inspiration. The only reason why people say that is because we had the car that was used in the movie. We were meant to have a different car. But just a few days before the shoot, Quentin Tarantino offered to let us use the one from Kill Bill. The whole comparison was kind of a compliment but there's a lot more to say about that video than just the car.

Music video director Jonas Akerlund is known for his work with Madonna and Lady Gaga.

**Q Were you surprised when the video ended up being as controversial as it was?**

**A** You never expect that. What we knew was that we didn't care about the rules — meaning, the format and how people are going to see it and the MTV rules and the censorship rules. The fans will go online and find the video. It's funny because it has been shown all over the world. The only place where it has not been shown because of the rules is MTV America. Luckily, Gaga's management was strong enough to say f-ck it.

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| | - | - 4 OMNI | King | The Simpsons | Omni News: S. Asian Edition | | Omni News: Cantonese Edition | | Two/Half Men | Two/Half Men | Metropia |
| | - | 371 5 KXLY | 4 News at 6 | 4 News at 6:30 | Entertainment | The Insider (N) | The Middle | The Middle (N) | Modern Family | Cougar Town | Happy Town |
| | 245 | 306 6 CBRT | NHL Hockey: Bruins at Sabres | | CBC News | TBA | TBA | TBA | CBC News: The National | | The Hour |
| | 244 | 338 7 CICT | ET Canada | Entertainment | Melrose Place "Vine" | | Bones (HDTV PA) (N) | | Kitchen Nightmares | | News Hour |
| | 246 | - 8 CKAL | Law & Order: SVU | | Modern Family | Better Off Ted | Mercy (HDTV) (N) | | Modern Family | Cougar Town | EP Daily |
| | 119 | 705 9 CBXFT | Squelettes | L'Épicerie | La Petite Séduction (N) (SC) | | Tous pour un (HDTV) (N) (SC) | | Le Téléjournal Nouvelles. (SC) | | TJ Alberta |
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| | - | 372 12 KREM | News | Access H. | The Doctors (N) | | Old Christine | Two/Half Men | Criminal Minds (HDTV) | | CSI: NY |
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| | 297 | 652 37 WPIX | Fly Girls | High Society | PIX News at Ten (N) | | Two/Half Men | Friends | Friends | According-Jim | Family Guy |
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| | 508 | 502 31 CNN2 | The Joy Behar Show | | Nancy Grace | | Showbiz Tonight | | The Joy Behar Show | | Nancy Grace |
| sports | 400 | 400 21 TSN | NHL Hockey | NHL Hockey Nashville Predators at Chicago Blackhawks. | | | | SportsCentre (HDTV) | | Boxing | |
| | 408 | 418 27 net | Soccer | | Sportsnet Connected | | The Ultimate Fighter | | Sportsnet Connected (N) | | Ultimate Fight |
| | 410 | 403 30 SCORE | Score Now | | Score Now | | Score Now | | Score Now | | Score Now |
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| | 557 | 541 39 FAM | Han. Montana | Wizards-Place | Sonny Chance | Suite Life | Overruled! | Han. Montana | Wizards-Place | Latest Buzz | Ned's School |
| | 555 | 545 67 TOON | Jimmy Two | Johnny Test | Johnny Test | Total Drama | Total Drama | 6TEEN | Futurama | King of the Hill | American Dad |
| | 575 | 583 11 CMT | According-Jim | According-Jim | Home Improve. | Home Improve. | Due South "Free Willy" | | Amer. Funniest Home Videos | | Reba |
| | 553 | 546 17 TREE | Franklin | Bucket-Dinos | Little Bear | Toopy & Binoo | Max & Ruby | Dragon (DVS) | Backyardigans | Ni Hao, Kai-lan | Go, Diego, Go! |
| | 505 | 398 19 TWN | (5) EarthWatch One | | EarthWatch One | | EarthWatch Two | | | | |
| | 602 | 568 23 W | House-Sell | House-Sell | Supernanny | | Grocery Bag | Grocery Bag | Cupcake Girls | Cupcake Girls | *Accidental Wit* |
| | 521 | 560 24 TLC | Hoarding: Buried Alive | | Police Women: Behind Bars | | Hoarding: Buried Alive | | Police Women: Behind Bars | | Giant Legs |
| | 603 | 561 25 FOOD | Iron Chef America | | Chopped | | Restaurant Makeover | | Diner, Drive-In | Unwrapped | Chopped |
| | 615 | 520 26 A&E | Bounty Hunter | Bounty Hunter | Bounty Hunter | Exterminator | Exterminator | Exterminator | Bounty Hunter | Bounty Hunter | Bounty Hunter |
| | 617 | 522 32 SHOW | Trailer Park | Trailer Park | Relic Hunter | | *Secret Lives* (2005, Suspense) Daphne Zuniga. | | | | Secret Diary |
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| | - | 633 34 ENC2 | (6:50) *Bullet to Beijing* ★★ (1995, Suspense), Mia Sara | | | | *Cry Baby* ★★★ (1990, Musical Comedy) | | | | *That Old Feeling* ★★ (1997) |
| | 520 | 505 35 DISC | Deadliest Catch | | Mayday | | Daily Planet | | Mayday | | I Could Do |
| | 620 | 523 36 BRAVO | Wingfield | Star Portraits | White Collar | | Law & Order "Carrier" | | Without a Trace "Safe" | | White Collar |
| | 294 | 650 40 WPCH | (6) MLB Baseball Atlanta Braves at St. Louis Cardinals. | | | | Law & Order: SVU | | Seinfeld | Name Is Earl | *Starship Troop* |
| | 626 | 547 41 COM | Just for Laughs | | Air Farce | 22 Minutes | Corner Gas | Name Is Earl | The Simpsons | South Park | Lucky Louie |
| | - | 539 42 TCM | (6) *Midnight* (1939, Comedy) | | *The Squaw Man* ★★ (1931, Adventure) Warner Baxter. | | | | *Young Man With Ideas* ★★ (1952, Comedy) | | |
| | 628 | 584 43 SPIKE | UFC Unleashed | | The Ultimate Fighter (N) | | Best of PRIDE Fighting | | The Ultimate Fighter (HDTV) | | CSI: Crime Scn |
| | 522 | 516 45 HIST | Dive Detectives (N) | | Pawn Stars | Pawn Stars | Nostradamus Effect | | Ice Road Truckers (HDTV) (N) | | Ice Pilots NWT |
| | 627 | 528 46 SPACE | Chuck (HDTV) (N) | | Supernatural (HDTV) (N) | | InnerSpace (N) | Stargate SG-1 "Grace" | Star Trek: Next Gener. | | |
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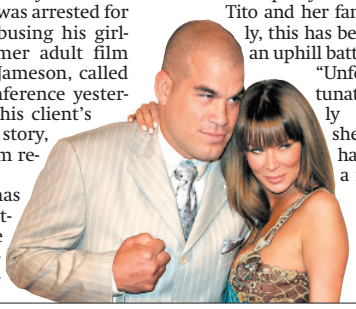
**Inspiring girls to be comic book characters**
Iron Man 2 actress Scarlett Johansson — who plays secret agent Natalie Romanova in the forthcoming sequel — enjoyed getting the chance to play a strong female character and hopes the film is inspirational for young girls, femalefirst.co.uk reports. METRO NEWS SERVICES

# Celebrity Buzz

## Ortiz comes out fighting

**TOO SOON?** A lawyer for Tito Ortiz, who was arrested for allegedly abusing his girlfriend, former adult film star Jenna Jameson, called a press conference yesterday to tell his client's side of the story, EOnline.com reports.

"Jenna has been fighting a battle with OxyContin addiction for the past year. For Tito and her family, this has been an uphill battle. "Unfortunately ... she had a relapse," the mixed-martial-arts fighter's attorney said.



Jenna fired back at the father of her children, saying that his allegations are "completely false," according to TMZ. Jameson's father called 911 yesterday, after Ortiz allegedly struck his daughter. She had "visible injuries" to her arm after the incident.

Ortiz has since been released on $25,000 US bail.

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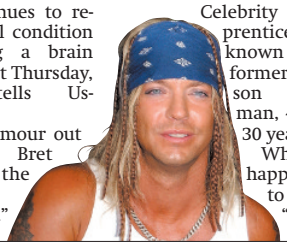
## Bret Micheals is still with us

**SO IS THAT ICKY FEELING FROM WATCHING ROCK OF LOVE** Bret Michaels continues to remain in critical condition after suffering a brain hemorrhage last Thursday, his rep tells UsMagazine.com.

"There's a rumour out there that Bret passed," says the rep.

"It isn't true."



Sharon Osbourne, Michaels' costar on NBC's Celebrity Apprentice, has known the former Poison front man, 47, for 30 years.

What's happened to him is "just hideous," she told UsMagazine.com Monday at the NBC Universal Summer Press Day in Pasadena, Calif.

"It's devastating, and it makes you feel all these different feelings. Your heart goes out to his family, your heart goes out to him. He's the nicest guy in the world."

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## Duff isn't dashing up the aisle

**SHE'S ONE CHILLED PUCK BUNNY** Hilary Duff may be a crazy fan when she's cheering for her hockey-player fiancé Mike Comrie but when it comes to wedding planning, the actress is a lot more calm, people.com reports.

"She's really relaxed and wants something comfortable and great," big sister Haylie Duff said Monday at the Tribeca Film Festival premiere of the documentary Earth Made of Glass. "She's just so excited to be engaged."

Comrie, 29, who plays for the Edmonton Oilers, proposed to Hilary, 22, over Christmas in Hawaii.

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## Lohan deals with his family issues the old fashioned way

**IN COURT, LIKE EVERY GOOD HOLLYWOOD FAMILY SHOULD** Michael Lohan is convinced daughter Lindsay Lohan is in trouble, and his next step is to call child protection services on her over charges she's a dangerous influence for younger sister Ali Lohan, he tells Hollyscoop.

Lindsay herself is allegedly readying a restraining order against Michael. But he's isn't worried.

"I spoke to their lawyers and they told me they have no grounds to get a restraining order."

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## Home is where the heart is

**HE HAS 11 DIFFERENT HOMES** Jesse James is home from rehab after a month in an Arizona facility, and according to Radar Online, he was spotted without his wedding ring on.

Those close to the Monster Garage host say he knows his time is up.

"Jesse is finally admitting to himself that he blew it," a source says.

"The marriage is over and he only has himself to blame."

Though they'd been staying with estranged wife Sandra Bullock while he was in treatment, James' three children returned to his Southern California home to greet him.

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## She's fallen and can't get up

**LUCKILY SHE HAS LOTS OF BUILT-IN PADDING TO CUSHION HER FALL** Amy Winehouse was hospitalized again recently after night out led to a nasty fall that caused damage to her ribs, forehead and recently augmented breasts, according to the Sun.

"She'd had a few drinks. At first she thought she had broken something, so she got her security to take her to hospital," a source says.

"The doctors were worried she might be concussed because she had a big bump on her head and a cut above her eye."

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## Jackson splits up the kids

**SORRY, BUT I HAVE TO PROTECT MY INTERESTS, I MEAN, MICHAEL'S KIDS** Katherine Jackson has reportedly lost patience with some of her grandchildren, moving them out of her California home, according to TMZ.

While she has custody of late son Michael Jackson's three children, Katherine has arranged for Jacksons Jaafar, Jermajesty, Donte and Randy Jr. to be moved to a condominium owned by the family, according to the website. Sources claim the decision was prompted by Jaafar allegedly pointing a stun gun at Michael's children.

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## CelebTweets

Today, **BILLY CORGAN** is fed up with Courtney Love, **COURTNEY LOVE** tries to play nice with Billy Corgan, and **SPENCER PRATT** isn't pleased that Lauren Conrad is returning to The Hills.

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## Clarification

• Yesterday Metro ran a story about Melissa Smith, one of Jesse James' alleged mistresses, but the photo with the item was not of the Melissa Smith referred to in the story. Metro apologizes for the error.

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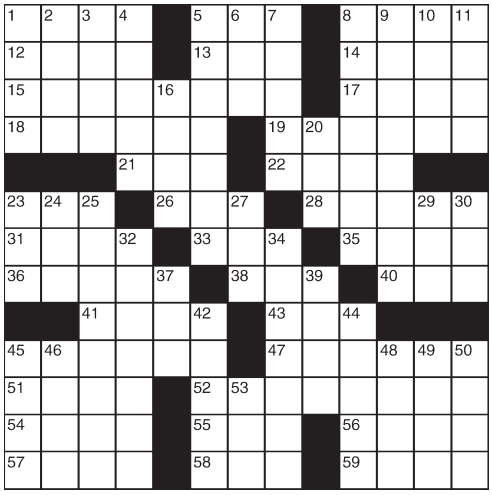

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## Sudoku

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**HOW TO PLAY:** Digits 1 through 9 will appear once in each zone – one zone is an outlined 3x3 grid within the larger puzzle grid. There are nine zones in the puzzle. Do not enter a digit into a box if it already appears elsewhere in the same zone, row across or column down the entire puzzle.

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**PREVIOUS DAY'S CROSSWORD AND SUDOKU ANSWERS:**

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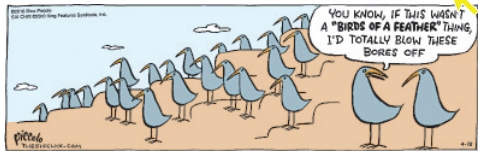


## Metro Recipe of the Day

### Lentils and Sausage

**INGREDIENTS:**

2 1/2 cups lower-sodium beef broth
1 cup dried lentils, sorted and rinsed
170 g smoked turkey sausage, sliced
1 large potato, peeled and cubed
1 large yellow onion, chopped
2 cloves garlic, minced
1 tsp dried basil leaves
1/2 tsp salt
1/4 tsp black pepper

**METHOD:**

1. In large pot, bring beef broth to boil over high heat. Stir in lentils. Lower heat and simmer, covered, for 20 minutes.

2. Add sausage, potato, onion, garlic, basil, salt and pepper. Bring to boil. Lower heat and simmer, covered, for 20 minutes or until lentils and potato are tender.

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For nutritional information on this and other great recipes, go to rd.ca or check out Key Ingredients in this month's Reader's Digest, on newsstands now!

## Horoscopes by Sally Brompton sallybrompton.com

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**ARIES** ♈
MARCH 21-APRIL 20
The way you look at the world has been changing and today's full moon will make it easier for you to accept that things have changed.

**TAURUS** ♉
APRIL 21-MAY 21
The next 24 hours will be critical for a relationship that has been going through a bad patch recently. Be honest about your feelings.

**GEMINI** ♊
MAY 22-JUNE 21
What you are working on may be interesting but it is only a small part of the bigger picture, so raise your sights occasionally.

**CANCER** ♋
JUNE 22-JULY 22
Today's full moon cuts across the most creative axis of your chart and will encourage you to embark on a brand new adventure.

**LEO** ♌
JULY 23-AUG 23
You can learn a great deal from watching other people today, especially people you live with and work with.

**VIRGO** ♍
AUG 24-SEPT 22
If you make an effort to talk to people today you will discover some interesting things, not only about them but also about yourself.

**LIBRA** ♎
SEPT 23-OCT 23
If your instincts tell you to follow a certain course of action then that is what you must do. What other people think about it is of secondary importance.

**SCORPIO** ♏
OCT 24-NOV 22
Today's full moon in your sign is a powerful influence and one that has the potential to cause a great deal of disruption.

**SAGITTARIUS** ♐
NOV 23-DEC 21
The only reason you are worried about something is because you have no control over it. Accept that fact and stop fighting against it.

**CAPRICORN** ♑
DEC 22-JAN 20
Try not to waste your time and your energy arguing with people who don't share your values. Today you will not find common ground.

**AQUARIUS** ♒
JAN 21-FEB 18
As the current full moon cuts across the home and career axis of your chart you will have to make room for both domestic and vocational aspirations.

**PISCES** ♓
FEB 19-MARCH 20
You are a lot more sensitive than you like to admit but there will be no hiding your feelings today.

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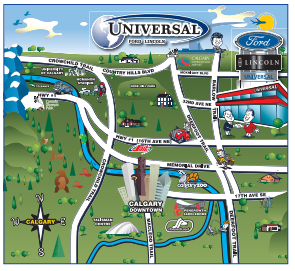


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2010 Venza #ZA3BBT A, $3700 down, 40 mos lease, 4.5%, LEV $13,302. 2010 Matrix #KU4EEP BA, $2650 down, 60 mos lease, 1.9%, LEV $7,959. 2010 Corolla #BU42EP BA, $2800 down, 60 mos lease, 1.9%, LEV $7,073. 2010 Camry #BF36KT A, $2750 down, 48 mos lease, 1.9%, LEV $10,814. 2010 RAV4 #ZF4DVP A, $3300 down, 48 mos lease, 3.9%, LEV $11,391. 2011 Sienna #ZK3DCT A, $3150 down, 48mos lease, 6.4%, LEV $14,107. Add to disclaimer: 2010 Tacoma #MU4FNA C, 3.9%, $3,785 Down, 48 month lease, LEV $15,228. 2010 Tundra #UM5FIT BA, 3.9%, $ 5,299 Down, 48 month lease, LEV $16,656. Freight, PDI and Block heater included. GST extra, T.F.S Approval O.A.C.